Department of Business & Finance

Committee Meeting Agenda

September 27, 2016

1. Opening Roll Call
   1. **Meeting initiated at 6:33pm. All members present except Senator Tharp, who arrived at 6:45pm.**
2. Approval of Agenda
   1. **Motion by Senator Jones-Darling, Seconded by Senator Al-Jarba. Approved.**
3. Approval of Previous Meeting’s Minutes
   1. **Motion by Senator Jones-Darling, Seconded by Senator Al-Jarba. Approved.**
4. Director’s Report
   1. Current funds for Student Organization Allocations: $49,678.52 – 87.16%
   2. Current funds for Club Sports Allocations: $50,000 – 100%
5. Old Business
   1. **No old business.**
6. New Business
   1. Student Organization Presentations and Consideration
      1. FY17-019 Righteous@EMU ($700.00) 4-0-1 Approved
         1. **Speaker from Detroit: Raised $230 from organization fees and $270 from outside fundraising. Placing Flyers in Residence Halls. Org would like event request decreased to $1,650.**
         2. **Senator Al-Jarba asked how many people they were expecting. Expecting at least 150.**
         3. **Director Snyder asked what the $1,650 will cover. Answer- honorarium, band and equipment.**
         4. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         5. **Senator Jones-Darling made a motion to drop amount requested to $650. No Second.**
         6. **Senator Jones-Darling made a motion to drop amount to $500. No Second. Senator stated he was distressed about the future of the B&F committee.**
         7. **Senator Fofana asked if they tried to get funding from other organizations. Answer- No. Senator Al-Jarba stated support for Senator Jones-Darling’s remarks.**
         8. **Senator Jones-Darling made a motion to drop to $700. Seconded by Senator Fofana.**
         9. **Motion made to move into a vote. Seconded.**
         10. **Vote of 4-0-1 for the amount of $700.**
      2. FY17-020 Righteous@EMU ($750.00) 0-4-1 Denied
         1. **Organization representative stated this amount was solely for Speaker fees.**
         2. **Senator Al-Jarba asked the name of the speaker. Answer- Matthew Jones.**
         3. **Senator Fifana asked when the event is to take place. Answer- October 3rd.**
         4. **Senator Jones-Darling asked how much it cost for the individual to come to campus. Answer- $500. Senator believes this is a reoccurring event and that Student Government has been the main supporter of this organization’s events in the past. Senator asked if they have searched for other speakers at a lower cost. Answer- They were asked to bring this speaker back to campus.**
         5. **Senator Al-Jarba asked how many times this speaker comes to campus. Answer- They travel back and forth.**
         6. **Motion to move in discussion. Seconded.**
         7. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         8. **Vote of 0-4-1. Request denied.**
         9. **Senator Jones-Darling had inserted into the record that they see troubling problems with the purpose of the funds and their reliance on Student Government.**
      3. FY17-014 Stoic Society ($743.55) 3-0-2 Approved
         1. **Organization stated they usually fund all their own events, but they are requesting funding for this one.**
         2. **Senator Jones-Darling asked what the full amount was. Answer- $743.55.**
         3. **Senator Fofana asked if they were working with the Honor’s College. Answer- They are splitting the costs withe the Honor’s College.**
         4. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         5. **Senator Al-Jarba stated that they were a great org and really give back to the community.**
         6. **Senator jones-Darling stated Stoic Society has been a great partner in the past and will be supporting the request.**
         7. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         8. **Vote of 3-0-2 for the amount of $743.55**
      4. FY17-015 Club Golf ($1,667.88) 4-0-1 Approved
         1. **Club representative state there was a change in the amount to $1,667.88. Funding is for league dues and tournament fees.**
         2. **Senator Jones-Darling asked if this was going to be their only request for the year. Answer- Will be another one in the Spring for additional tournament fees.**
         3. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         4. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         5. **Vote of 4-0-1 for the amount of $1,667.88.**
      5. FY17-016 Hansori ($700.00) 3-1-1 Approved
         1. **Organization representative stated there was a change in the amount to $840. Funding was for a concert. Organization performs in the community and like to hold concerts for free.**
         2. **Senator Al-Jarba asked how many people usually attend. Answer- over 100.**
         3. **Senator Fofana asked when the event is. Answer- Nov. 19th**
         4. **Motion for a 2 minute recess to address internet issues made by Senator Jones-Darling. Seconded by Senator Al-Jarba.**
         5. **Senator Jones-Darling asked how they fundraised for the event. Answer- They don’t fundraise, but they do have membership fees that go to maintain equipment.**
         6. **Senator Tharp asked what the venue is. Answer- Student Center Auditorium.**
         7. **Senator Jones-Darling asked if they had contacted the School of Music and Dance for funding. Answer- No, they didn't know they could ask.**
         8. **Director Snyder asked if the equipment rental fees were through the University. Answer- Yes. Director asked if they had receipts. ANswer- No.**
         9. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         10. **Senator Jones-Darling believes it to be irresponsible to fund the request in the full amount. Motion to reduce to $500. No Second.**
         11. **Senator Fofana stated they have diverse concerts. Senator Al-Jarba stated they give back to the community and the event should be funded.**
         12. **Senator Jones-Darling motioned to reduce amount to $700. No Second. Senator believes the organization has established a line of dependence on the committee and is unwilling to fund the full amount.**
         13. **Senator Al-Jarba asked if they thought they could do fundraising to make up for a reduction in funding. Answer- It was possible.**
         14. **Senator Al-Jarba motioned to reduce amount to $700. Seconded.**
         15. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         16. **Vote of 3-1-1 for the amount of $700.**
      6. FY17-017 Indian Student Association ($640.00) 4-0-1 Approved
         1. **Organization representative stated the funding was for an event to honor the Indian holiday for fasting and they would be teaching cultural dancing at the event.**
         2. **Senator Al-Jarba asked how many people they were expecting. Answer- 80-100.**
         3. **Senator Fofana asked if this was the first time for the event. Answer- Yes. Senator asked if they were having some kinds of snacks. Answer- Yes, Indo-Chinese food. Seanotr asked if they had permission to receive outside catering. Answer- they thought so but did not have the documentation with him.**
         4. **Senator Jones-Darling motioned to reduce funding by $318. Seconded.**
         5. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         6. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         7. **Vote of 4-0-1 for the amount of $640.**
      7. FY17-018 Indian Student Association ($750.00) 4-0-1 Approved
         1. **Festival of Lights: Indian holiday.**
         2. **Senator Al-Jarba asked if they were getting food from outside campus. Answer- Yes. Senator asked if they had permission. Answer- They didn’t have documentation.**
         3. **Senator Al-Jarba motioned to reduce the amount by $1060.**
         4. **Senator Jones-Darling asked how much fundraising they have done since July 1st. Answer- None. Senator AL-Jarba asked if they will do fundraising. Answer- They will try.**
         5. **Senator Fofana asked when the event is going to be held. Answer- Oct. 29th.**
         6. **Senator Jones-Darling asked if they are using outside sponsors. Answer- Yes, ISA for marketing.**
         7. **Motion to move into discussion. Seconded.**
         8. **Senator Jones-Darling stated he was concerned about awarding the entire amount.**
         9. **Motion to move to a vote by Senator Al-Jarba. No Second.**
         10. **Senator Fofana stated that the event should be funded.**
         11. **Senator Tharp asked what the $50 in the request was for. Answer- unforeseen expenses. The Senator asked if he has invoices. Answer - No.**
         12. **Senator Jones-Darling motioned to reduce funding by $50. Seconded.**
         13. **Senator Jones-Darling motioned to reduce funding by $41.25. Seconded.**
         14. **Motion to move to a vote. Seconded.**
         15. **Vote of 4-0-1 for the amount of $750.**
7. Gallery Comments
   1. **No Gallery comments**
8. Closing Roll Call
   1. **All members present.**